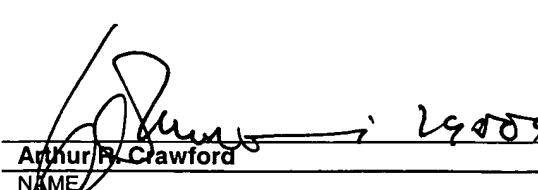


FORM PTO-1390 MODIFIED	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 117-554
<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) <b>10/542030</b> unknown	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/GB2004/000129	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 12 January 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 14 January 2003	
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>LAPAROSCOPIC PORT HERNIA DEVICE</b>			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>Stephen G. E. BARKER</b>			
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The U.S. has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li>5. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (12 pages specification, claims &amp; abstract (17 claims), 3 sheets drawings).</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (      pages specification, claims &amp; abstract (      claims),      sheets drawings,      page Certificate of Translation).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has <b>NOT</b> expired.</li> <li>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. a. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Declaration was submitted to the International Bureau during International Phase (see copies of Declaration (      page Form PCT/RO/101 and Form PCT/IB/371 and first page of printed publication acknowledging receipt thereof attached).</li> </ol> </li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> </ol> <p><b>Items 11 To 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>13. a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <b>FIRST</b> preliminary amendment.</li> <li>      b. <input type="checkbox"/> A <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. § 1.76.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information. International Preliminary Examination Report w/amended sheets</li> </ol>			

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<b>21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:</b>					
<b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5):</b>					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee .....\$300.00 (1631)/\$150.00 (2631) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) Examination Fee .....\$200.00 (1633)/\$100.00 (2633) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search Fee .....\$500.00 (1632)/\$250.00 (2632)					
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS</b> ..... \$1000.00/\$500.00					
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)		RATE	
15 -100	0	/50 =	0.00	\$0.00 (1681)  \$0.00 (2681)	\$
Surcharge of \$130.00 (1617)/\$65.00 (2617) for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. 1.492(e)).					
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	# EXTRA	RATE		
Total Claims	20 minus 20 =	0 X	\$50.00 (1615)/	\$25.00 (2615)	\$
Independent Claims	3 minus 3 =	0 X	\$200.00 (1614)	\$100.00 (2614)	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS(S) (if applicable)			\$360.00 (1616)/\$180.00 (2616)		
Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s): One Month Extension \$120.00 (1251)/\$60.00 (2251); Two Month Extensions \$450.00 (1252)/\$225.00 (2252); Three Month Extensions \$1020.00 (1253)/\$510.00 (2253); Four Month Extensions \$1590.00 (1254)/\$795.00 (2254)					
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.					
Processing fee of \$130.00 (1618), for furnishing the English Translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 C.F.R. 1.492(f)). + <b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b> \$ 1130.00					
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 (8021) per property + <b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b> \$ 1130.00					
Amount to be refunded \$ Charged \$					
a. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$1130.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 14-1140 in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-1140. A <u>duplicate</u> copy of this form is enclosed. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM ATTACHED.</b> e. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The entire content of International Application No. PCT/GB2004/000129 and any U.S. and foreign application(s) corresponding thereto, and GB 0300786.1, referred to in this application is/are hereby incorporated by reference in this application.					
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 C.F.R. 1.137(a) or (b) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.					
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